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**Afghan President Is Ousted and Executes in Kabul Coup, Reportedly With Soviet Help**

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<http://www.nytimes.com/learning/general/onthisday/big/1227.html>

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* **Afghan president been sentenced to death at a revolutionary trail for “crimes against the state.”**
* **Babrak Karmal, new president and Secretary General of People’s Democratic Party**

**Soviet said to Favor Karmal**

* **State department said received accounts, from persons in Kabul beavy fighting broke out in Afghan Capital**
* **Incident involved Soviet troops, part of contingent, more than 6000 flown**
* **Soviet were observed personnel vehicles taken part in battles in capital**
* **Were fighting near the presidential palace, soviet been seen capturing Afghans**
* **Administration officials said best guess be Soviet, had invested considerable military and economic assistance in Afghanistan**
* **Apr, 1978- Marist Government led by late Noor Mohammad Taraki, seeking more complaint leader to calm the insurgents active**
* **Soviet, large Moslem population in Asia, been concerned about instability that remote mountainous country**
* **US no official comment, said in private USSR probably under extreme pressure try end insurgency in Afghan**
* **President carter discuss situation in Afghanistan, at National Security Council meeting**
* **President, denounced by Afghan insurgents as symbol of oppression**
* **Taraki represented Afghan at meeting**
* **Taraki intelligence analysts belieced that Soviet was unhappy over Amin’s seizure power**

**Leader of Communist Wing**

* **Russian began increase military forces in Afghan and along the Afghan border**
* **Past years,** more than 200 military transports landed at the Kabul airport with troops and supplies
* addition, five Soviet divisions have reportedly been deployed along the border with Afghanistan
* **Karmal, democratic party, was behind the overthrow the president Mohammand in Apr 1978**
* **Karmal group lost power to head by Taraki and Amin, both were pro- communist**
* **Karmal’s wing was regarded as more orthodox and willing to accept Soviet leadership;**
* **Assumption of power was indication to US official karmal returned to Afghan**
* **Soviet press agency gave attention to karmal**
* "Today is the breaking of the machine of torture of Amin and his henchmen, wild butchers, usurpers and murderers of tens of thousands of our countrymen, fathers, mothers, brothers, sisters, sons and daughters, children and old people." Said Tass
* Karmal response to Tass: "his stooges" were all "agents of American imperialism."

**Rebels Are Anti Communist**

* **Soviet seem deeply trouble by the inability for Taraki and Amin government to put down the rebellions in Afghan, which anti communism**
* **Not only Russian supplied the Kabul authorities with military equipment and adcisers, but send 6000 combat troops and 4000 military advisers.**